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Column One
By David Courtney

THE rugged columns of ancient temples swung from the rafters of the French Assembly during the debate, just ended, on the schools question. Socialist and Radical, in a joyous excursion backward to the pristine simplicities of the century of the century, revived the phraseology of the anti-clericalism and imagined themselves, once more, the champions of principle. Conscience required. Radical and Socialist sat back and dabbled at their moist eyes while the Assembly's vote gave the Catholic schools a share of the taxpayers' money. The issue is at an end until December, when the special committee on schools is expected to have handed in its report to the government.

THE exhaustion of principle in the sorry conflict over schools may be reflected in the decisive debates, yet to come, over social reform and wage adjustment. M. Plevin, when he presented his bulky but nicely-balanced cabinet to the Assembly on August 9 declared, slogan-wise, that "the price of liberty is competition," but admitted that the price increases and scandalous maldistribution of wealth, food and commodities, which go with the prevailing brand of competition, are therefore, so to speak, an indirect tax on the "price of liberty," require a wage adjustment "to give the worker the purchasing power he had last March."

THE long and short of it would seem to portend a recrudescence of labour troubles throughout the length and breadth of France; which is exactly what some of M. Plevin's supporters and all of the Gaullists would appear to be anticipating with more than mere confidence. M. Plevin has hotly denied that his government is only a stop gap until the end of the vacation; observers shake their heads nevertheless, and Gaullists stifle their yawns; for it is recalled that not all the cunning of M. Plevin nor all the high-falutin' about the sacrifices France must make for the sake of her own and Western civilization's security, will help the French worker to pay the 32 per cent increase in public transport fares, the 30 per cent increase in the price of bread, the 800 francs for a kilo of beef or the 625 francs for a kilo of butter.

...THERE is no doubt that war and inflation and the indifference of successive governments have greatly enlarged the truly wretched sector of the French proletariat... liberation had promised a happier future. Six years ago the French working class, like other classes, readily, perhaps too readily, identified its fate with that of the nation. They looked forward to a great reconstruction plan and a number of basic reforms... all these hopes and illusions were more rapidly and ruthlessly destroyed than in the case of other classes. The quotation is not from a Communist journal but from the Catholic review "Esprit."

MESSEUR Schuman and Bismarck in their dealings with Germany, the United States and NATO dare not for a moment lose sight of the present shaky structure of the French social system. It has been possible, in the interests of good relations with the United States, to get rid of that courageous editor and neutralist Beuve-Méry, whose logic and indignation no longer animate "Le Monde"; but the deep broad strata of restless workers whose Communism has been described as a protest "against a sense of personal humiliation," are tougher nuts to crack: it may yet take De Gaulle to crack them.

Tel Aviv, September 7.

Riley Calls Nuleh Talks at Hakirya 'Encouraging'

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Lieut. General William Riley conferred for more than four hours with government and military leaders at Hakirya today and discussed all aspects of the dispute with Syria over the demilitarized zone.

General Riley said at the Airport tonight as he took off for Beirut that the talks have been "very encouraging." Israeli sources said that an attempt has been made to work out an arrangement, but another meeting would be necessary to finalize the discussions.

Four Issues
Principal issues discussed were General Riley's demand for the return of 115 Arabs who fled into Syria from the demilitarized zone during the recent fighting; the continuation of the Huleh drainage threatened by the Arabs through the ownership of seven acres of land; the regulation of civilian life in the demilitarized zone, and the proposals to reorganize the police who are now Israel-controlled.

Israel was represented at the talks by the Chief of the General Staff, Ray-Aluf Yigael Yadin; his Deputy Aluf Mordechai Maklef; Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry; Mr. Reuven Shiloah, Special Adviser to the Foreign Ministry; Mr. Reuven Dafne, Foreign Minister's representative at the Mixed Armistice Commission, and Sgan-Aluf Shaul Ramati, Senior Delegate to the Mixed Armistice Commission.

General Riley was accompanied by his Political Aide, M. Henri Vigier, and Col. Ramez Taxis, Chairman of the Syria-Israel M.A.C.

Eban Hopeful Of Pressure on Egypt
NEW YORK, Thursday (INAV) — Israel proposes to pursue resolutely the implementation of the U.N. Security Council's directive on the Suez Canal. Mr. A. Eban said at a press conference here today. He revealed that he had opened preliminary discussions on this question with Mr. George McGhee, Assistant Secretary of State.

The Ambassador said the impression he had received was that the powers concerned in the case proposed to use their influence to the fullest to obtain Egypt's compliance with the Council resolution. The primary significance of the Council action, he added, lay in the complete unanimity of opinion that Israel's complaint was justified. He pointed out that no one had spoken in favour of Egypt's action.

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Ridgway Seeks New Venue

TOKYO, Thursday (Reuters). — General Ridgway today asked the Communists to discuss a new conference site for the Korean cease-fire talks, later reminding them of his original suggestion for a meeting at sea. To and the fortnight-old break in talks he asked for an immediate meeting of liaison officers to decide on some other place than Kaesong "where negotiations can be continued without interruptions."

One view among Tokyo observers is that General Ridgway's proposals will show once and for all whether the Communists were only playing for time. Meanwhile Communist tanks have been reported near the Allied lines again, while pilots have attacked huge convoys pulling south towards the fronts every night.

But in actual fighting the Communists were still pulling back in face of Allied assaults, suggesting they were not yet ready to launch a counter-blow. General Ridgway's broadcast statement, also handed over to the Communists in a silent meeting between liaison officers, said "recent events have made it plainly evident to me and the world at large that further use of the present conference site at Kaesong will inevitably result in additional interruptions of armistice talks and further delays in reaching agreement."

Persians Fear Threats
TEHERAN, Thursday (UP). — Twelve Opposition members of the Persian Majlis claimed in a letter to the Speaker tonight that they had been threatened by the Government and Government supporters. They announced that as a result of this "intimidation" they would not attend any further sessions of the Majlis until steps have been taken to remove such threats.

As they walked out of the Chamber they were jeered by gathering crowds of government supporters on the pavement outside. Meanwhile, there was no indication of when Dr. Mossadeq's Cabinet would decide to present its "ultimatum" to Britain.

British sources today reiterated that they would regard any expulsion of British workers as a "violation" of the Hague Court's interim oil decision. The present 13 Civil Service grades would, under the proposed system, give way to 16 grades, with the lowest current "Alpha" grade being abolished and four new grades being interpolated between existing ones. Instead of Grades "Alpha" (lowest) to "Kod Gimmel" (highest), the proposed grades will go from 16 (lowest) to 1 (directors-general).

Basic pay would grow progressively larger by annual increments and as an employee proceeds upward through the grades. Thus, for example, the basic pay increase between grades 16 and 15 would be 11.2; while between grades 2 and 1 it would be 11.1. Maximum annual increment for each year of service in grade 16 would be 11.1500, in grade 1, 11.4.

22,000 Affected
Family allowances, according to the Committee's report, would remain as they are, 11.5 for the wife, 11.5-11.4 for each child, 11.5 for other dependants. Cost-of-living allowances would, similarly, remain unchanged: 11.55 for bachelors, plus 11.1500 for the wife and 11.1500 for each child.

The report, which would affect about 22,000 officials, permanent employees and labourers in the public employ and result in an increase of 11.5-11.600 in the Government's over-all annual salary budget, points out that State wages have not kept pace with private and public salary scales. The discrepancy thus created was eroded by encouraging many government employees to leave the public service.

Gromyko Charges Japan Treaty Is Tool of War

SAN FRANCISCO, Thursday (UP). — Russia vigorously denounced the proposed Japanese Peace Treaty as an instrument "in the preparation of a new war" last night, but the U.S. and its Allies succeeded in keeping overwhelming support for their draft.

Russia's dramatic denunciation was made by her Deputy Foreign Minister, M. Andrei Gromyko, in a thundering speech before the bi-national conference at yesterday afternoon's session.

Speaking for 43 minutes — one minute over the time limit set by the rigid rules adopted over Communist opposition in the morning session — he strongly indicated that Russia would not sign the U.S. sponsored treaty "because there can be no question of accomplishing a peace settlement without the participation of Red China."

M. Gromyko proposed a series of "declarations" charging the U.S. with "conspiring" "democratic" Japanese institutions; but they were considered out of order under the stringent rules that make it clear that the business of the conference is to sign and not to amend.

Gallery Boos
The Soviet delegate was booed by spectators in the gallery as he completed his speech, and Western delegates immediately gathered to the attack. The Netherlands delegation said it would not support the Russian amendments, which, it charged, were made "for propaganda purposes."

At the opening of the evening session he was supported by the Bolivian Ambassador who said he was glad that Japan, through the Allied treaty, could "once more take its place in the family of nations."

The conference then adjourned, after it was found that no one else wanted to speak that night, and Mr. Charles Malik (Lebanon) took the stand to propose the adjournment. "We seem to have gotten on all right so far and I think the Conference may want to adjourn to celebrate this strange fact."

Earlier, the Conference had elected Mr. Dean Acheson President. The voting for the candidates was: Mr. Acheson 61; Mr. Percy Sprague (Australia) 2; Mr. Rafulla Khan (Pakistan) 2. There were four abstentions.

Egypt Reserved
The conference was resumed at 10 a.m. this morning, with Egypt, Norway, El Salvador, Haiti, Ecuador, and Laos scheduled to speak in what was generally expected to be an anti-climactic session.

Egyptian Talks With Morrison

LONDON, Thursday (UP). — The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, conferred for 45 minutes today with Amir Pasha, the Egyptian Ambassador here, in what was called "a general discussion on Anglo-Egyptian relations."

The meeting, on the eve of Mr. Morrison's departure for important conferences in the U.S., rounded off a series of Foreign Office discussions with the Israeli and Turkish ministers here.

Today's conference, said to have been called on the initiative of Amir Pasha, was described as "frank and cordial." Diplomatic sources said it dealt with the Suez Canal dispute as well as with the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty.

Mr. Morrison, according to well-informed sources, reiterated Britain's desire to come to terms with Egypt and her willingness to continue negotiations despite the present deadlock. No new proposals had been submitted however, they insisted.

Defence Offer
It is believed, nevertheless, that Mr. Morrison underlined Britain's aim with a view to Middle Eastern defence and again offered Egypt participation as an equal member in the proposed Middle East Defence Board.

He may also have underscored London's official view that Egypt would gain little by abrogating the Treaty, and would in fact put herself legally open to charges of violating international law — as well as finding that it could hardly satisfy the demands of those insisting on abrogation unless prepared to use force to eject Britain's troops from the Canal-Zone.

EGYPT WON'T GIVE UP FUGITIVES
CAIRO, Thursday (Reuters). — Egypt has rejected the request from Jordan for the extradition of Colonel Abdullah a-Tel and Musa el Ayubi, condemned to death in their absence for complicity in the murder of King Abdullah, a Foreign Office spokesman announced today.

Jordan, which has no extradition treaty with Egypt, made her request on the ground that the victims "was no less a person than a great Arab monarch."

King Talal Is Crowned At Amman

AMMAN, Thursday. — Amid thunderous applause and a resounding 101-cannon salute Emir Talal, eldest son of the late King Abdullah, was crowned King Talal I of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan today.

The Emir, "fully recovered" from the nervous breakdown that had sent him to Switzerland, arrived by plane from Athens today at 7, together with his brother, the Regent Na'if, and landed at the Royal Air Force base some 60 kms. from Amman.

He was met by a throng of Jordan officials, Parliamentarians, and members of the Diplomatic Corps. The Arab Legion, however, was represented by Major-General Abdul Kader el Jundi, (Ramallah radio and the news agencies failed to mention its commander, Glubb Pasha, among those present.)

Cheering Crowds
After inspecting the guard of honour, Talal drove at the head of a long convoy to Parliament House at Amman, while cheering crowds lined the streets.

Huge welcoming banners fluttered overhead, and thousands of people shouted "long live the King" as the Emir entered the Assembly Hall, where both Houses of Parliament assembled together greeted him with a storm of applause.

Seating himself in the Royal Throne, Talal took the illuminated text of the oath into his hands, and while everyone stood to attention and the band outside played the National Anthem, read:

In the name of God the Almighty, the Compassionate, the Merciful, I swear by the Almighty to preserve the constitution and to be loyal to the nation and the country.

The King wore national dress with a golden ceremonial dagger at his waist for the ceremony. At his right stood his young son, Emir Hussein, dressed in military uniform.

The first official royal reception will be given at the Raghadan Palace tomorrow. (See Multiple Thread — Page 5)

Syrian Delegation To Paris Named
Dr. Adnan Atassi, Syrian Minister to Paris, will head the Syrian delegation to the Palestine Conciliation Commission talks in Paris on September 10, NEABS reports.

Nabman Syrkin Brought To Resting Place at Kinneret

HAIFA, Thursday. — Work in the port was interrupted at 9.30 this morning, when the sirens of the s.s. Yaffa sounded a final salute to Nabman Syrkin, whose remains she had brought from the U.S.

Eight blue-shirted Hapag members carried the coffin down the ship's gangway to the main quay, where a large crowd had assembled from the early hours. A Hapag guard of honour stood watch over the black flag-draped coffin. The crowd stood silent as the coffin was placed on a green-wreathed tender.

In the cortege were Syrkin's daughter, Miriam; Mr. Y. Sprinzel, the Knesset Speaker; Mr. Ben-Zion, Co-Chairman of the Jewish Agency; Mrs. Golda Myerson, the Minister of Labour; Mr. B. Shitret, Minister of Police; Mr. M. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut; Mr. Z. Shragai; Mr. A. Hushi, the Mayor, and many others.

At Bet Hapoolim, the remains of the Labour Zionist leader lay in state as workers filed past the bier.

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Natanyah	64	72	78	82
Tel Aviv	64	72	78	82
Lydda Airport	64	72	78	82
Jerusalem	64	72	78	82
Beersheva	64	72	78	82

Forecast for the 24 hours ending Sept. 7, 1951. (A) Maximum temperature. (B) Minimum temperature. (C) Maximum wind speed. (D) Minimum wind speed.

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Fifty Haifa drivers, including three of the Shalom Bus Cooperative, were fined from IL 2 to IL 5 for parking and parking offences in the Haifa Municipal Court yesterday.

A motorcyclist was arrested on the Rehovot-Afula road yesterday, when 100 kilograms of sugar which he had reportedly bought in the Little Triangle were found in his possession.

A total of IL 17 has been received by the POST for the widow of Naftali Levi, the Jaffa workman who was killed last week when he was allegedly mistaken for a thief.

The Religious Council of Mizrah Arad has protested the absence of a burial ground in the town, which now has a population exceeding 10,000. Temporary burials are being carried out in an open plot, without a fence, in the new suburb.

The fishing boat delivered to Elath on Tuesday night weighed one ton and net 12 as reported earlier.

The Israel Automobile Club and Touring Association has opened a new central office at 30 Shalom Road in Tel Aviv. The Club, which provides car-owners with help in arranging international documents and also renders other services, is open between 9 a.m. and noon daily, except Saturdays and holidays.

Bigger Ice Rations For Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Thursday—Plenty of ice for all is anticipated here tomorrow, and the usual one-third of a block for Fridays will be distributed throughout the day against Coupon No. 5.

Today, also, a third of a block was given out, since there was a surplus in the factories as a result of the new rationing system. On Sunday, the same quantity will be distributed and if the present improved supply situation continues, this quantity may be approved for more days of the week.

Yesterday, wagons began moving in the whole of Tel Aviv and Jaffa area and housewives were able to get their ice in front of their homes.

Ration News

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Nachshon Back From England

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The considerable repair costs were covered by insurance, a spokesman of the Shoham Company, which operates the vessel, said here today. The Nachshon left London on July 27 for Antwerp and Hamburg, where she picked up cargo consisting of automobiles, including at least two fire engines, iron, timber, chemicals, medical supplies and mail.

On August 11, when the ship was off the coast of Portugal, the crew saw smoke rising from one of the holds, in which medical supplies and chemicals were stored. It is believed that they caught fire by spontaneous combustion.

Unable to check the flames, the captain sailed the ship in to Lisbon, where some of the cargo was unloaded and the fire extinguished. After necessary repairs and reloading, the ship left for Haifa on August 26. Half the medical supplies and mail bags were burned.

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Police Get Their Men

TEL AVIV, Thursday (ITM). — Economic Police dragged a suspected black marketer from his hiding place under a truck in one of the main streets here today after a chase lasting an hour.

The man escaped from custody while being accompanied to the Yehuda Halevi Police Station. He was apprehended near the main market place allegedly selling tomatoes for 500 pruta a kilogram instead of 100 pruta.

Searches in buses on the Nathanya road and in the Petah Tikva area today netted Economic Police 20 kilograms of horse meat, a number of imported sausages, seven chickens, 40 eggs and 48 chocolate bars.

Police uncovered a large black market centre in Jaffa today, when information as to the source of illegally-purchased meat was given them by a man and woman who were stopped with parcels this morning.

Police searched the house pointed out to them in a Jaffa street and confiscated 70 kilos of meat. The tenants of the house and their customers were arrested.

The Jewish Agency and the Moshav Movement decided to transfer the villagers from Luzzin (Khirbet el Luzz) to a permanent site at Kattar, near Eilat, because there are better facilities and opportunities there to earn a living. The decision was taken before the elections.

But unidentified political party representatives visited the village just before election time and convinced them with promises to move. About 30 families still remain in Luzzin and are waiting for the party men to carry out their pledges.

Officials of the Agency Moshav Movement and the District Office have pleaded in vain with the villagers who still hope that the promises of work and better conditions will be fulfilled. The co-operative grocery and transport have been shifted to the new site, but the heads of the 30 families are adamant.

Houses in Rishon
The residents of Rishon (Wajala) were asked to move to a site only 500 metres from where they now stay, but refuse to do so because "somebody promised us houses in Rishon Le Zion." After some investigating it was found that the "somebody" was a Mr. Shapiro of the General Zionists who handled the campaigning in the Corridor.

Mr. Ra'anan Weiss, Director of the Agency's Settlement Department, invited the General Zionists to a conference several weeks ago to "determine whether the promise can be fulfilled," but no reply has been received.

The people of Amshar, meanwhile, refuse to budge and the District Office in Jerusalem fears that the Moshav Movement plans to move some of the residents of the Kattar moshava to the settlement.

Rich for a Day
The joy of Shalom Yaphet, a Yemenite immigrant of the Amshar moshava, near Jerusalem, at a sudden windfall of money lasted less than 24 hours. On Wednesday he had come to a bank in the Mahane Yehuda quarter to deposit money. He was given a voucher for interest, IL 2,000.

The cashier, however, paid him IL 600. Overjoyed, the man returned to his moshava. However, during the night the police came to his place, informed him of the error, and took the money.

Dies of Injuries
NAHARIYA, Saturday. — Shoshana Habi, 45, of Nahariya's Amshar quarter, died of the injuries she suffered when she was knocked down by a truck on Wednesday.

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	Yod-Gimel	IL-10 represent.	IL-11 represent.	Yod-IL	IL-12 represent.	IL-13 represent.
1	IL-10 represent.	113	112	110	403	400
2	Yod-Bet	111	110	403	400	37
3	IL-13 represent.	90	101	100	403	404
4	Yod-Alpha	87	92	103	403	104
5	IL-15 represent.				403	200

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It is true that an army marches on its stomach, it is no doubt even truer that the morale of a people is directly affected by its diet. While the average family budget is largely spent by the housewife, today the women of Israel find themselves carrying more than their share of the burden of living through the present revolution. On the one hand they are forced to waste their valuable time in queuing up for hours on end, and on the other hand they find so little available with which to feed their families.

PEOPLE'S FOOD

True, there is no famine in the country far from it, but it is equally true that as a result of the existing shortages, the diet has become more and more monotonous and meagre, and less and less satisfying. Even if nutrition specialists should prove that the amount of calories and proteins is sufficient, there are alarming signs that the food situation leading to a fear psychosis — a state of mind approaching panic. The fear of famine may be as dangerous as famine itself and urgent steps must, therefore, be undertaken to reassure the public.

Complaints and criticism are of little practical value if certain fundamental facts are ignored. Paramount among them are the increase in population by some 300,000 persons in one year and the disastrous effects of last winter's drought. This drought alone necessitated imports of grains, vegetables and fruit at a cost of some ten million dollars. Home production, on the other hand, has made considerable progress: In the first five months of the current year, compared with last year, milk sales rose from 25m. to 32m. litres, eggs from 13m. to 137m. and vegetables from 21m. to 40m. tons. These are encouraging figures, but the fact remains that, in the towns at least, vegetables are scarce, and that in any case these items alone do not provide an adequate diet. It should not be overlooked, for instance, that considerable sections of the population are conditioned to a diet in which meat is essential, and the nearly complete absence of it cannot fail to impair their well-being as well as their working capacity. Others are in need of certain spices or condiments to make what food there is palatable to them. No planning of supplies can afford to neglect these and similar factors.

More than six months have now passed since the resignation of the Cabinet, and the caretaker government has had to deal with difficult domestic and foreign policy issues, not to speak of the dislocation caused by the elections. It must now only be a matter of days before a new Government is formed and portfolios are assigned. It is of the utmost importance and urgency that the respective departments lose no time in preparing the necessary estimates — providing for unforeseen contingencies as well — for a comprehensive food plan. The essential elements of any such plan are, on the one hand, increased home production which includes provision for increased irrigation and rational cultivation; on the other hand, an efficient overall organization of marketing and transport. Despite the shortage of currency, provision must be made for the stockpiling of grain ration.

The national food economy can function only if directed by a competent administration, capable not only of planning but of developing a rationing system with a time-table that will be honoured and that will make the black market, once again a thing of scorn, resorted to only by the greedy, not by the needy.

24 REINTERRED ON MT. HERZL

The bodies of 24 soldiers who fell in the War of Liberation in the Jerusalem area were transferred yesterday from the Sakhedria cemetery to the military cemetery on Mount Herzl. The coffins were brought to the courtyard of the Bet Hakerem Teachers' Seminary by a military honour guard, who after a brief ceremony, accompanied the cortege to Mount Herzl. The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. S. Z. Shragal, delivered a short memorial address and the honour guard fired a volley. More than 200 soldiers are still buried in Sakhedria, a Ministry of Defense spokesman pointed out after the ceremony, adding that only 100 families have asked for reinterment of their dead.

Indian Drive On Rebels in Assam

By RAWLE KNOX

NEW DELHI — As Assam's wild summer floods begin to subside, the province's government is resuming its drive to rid the countryside of the armed Communist bands who menace security.

Fishing west along the south bank of the Brahmaputra river up to Goalpara, before the rains came, police and trained commandos of the Kumaon Rifles captured eight out of fifteen important CPI (Communist Party of India) leaders. The rest fled south into the Garo Hills. They are still there. Among them is a wartime paratrooper of the Gurkha Rifles whom the police captured last year, but who was released by the Assam High Court because he had not been properly informed of the grounds for his arrest. The police managed to tail him for just six hours after his release before he disappeared again.

Last autumn another drive north-eastwards into the headquarters district of the RCPI (Revolutionary Communist Party of India) around Sadia (now heavily flooded) completely broke the back of that party. All its leaders were arrested.

Use of Violence

Fortunately for the Government there has so far been no cooperation between the feuding RCPI men, who believe in the primary necessity of violent revolution, and the CPI, which professes to use violence only as a last resort. (By any token, the latter's last resort is quickly reached). Assam figures prominently on any Communist's map of South-Asia. Wedged into the arms of a recently "liberated" Tibet and a turbulent Burma, Assam is almost severed from its neighbouring province of West Bengal by the intrusion of East Pakistan.

The "express" train from Dibrugarh in North East Assam takes four days to reach Calcutta, the slow train five. The population includes a heavy influx of refugees from East Pakistan, middle-class Bengali-speakers who do not fit easily into Assam's agricultural society, and whose discontent at the slowness of their rehabilitation is easy to work upon. For disciples of violence, there are still plenty of arms remaining from the expensive campaigns of World War II. It is not surprising, therefore, that the State has been chosen as a suitable campaigning ground by the Communist high command. Excellent police work has been unsuccessful. In 1949 the Assam police were able to raid the provincial party H.Q. (no other State can claim such a coup) and capture valuable documents, including the "con-

fessional" diaries of several leaders. It was then that reference was found to the Communist plan for Burma; the "liberation army" of Naw Sang, a deserter from the Kachin Rifles who has been in the Chinese border province of Yunnan for some time, was to cut off seven northern districts of Burma and form a government there which would be recognized by Peking. The plan was apparently postponed by the need for every ounce of Chinese effort in Korea.

Assam's police claim that they managed to insinuate themselves into the "Tek" organization, the innocent-looking front of solid citizens who are forbidden by the party to engage in any overt Communist work but whose job it is to guide and house party leaders when they visit outside districts. The 1949 raid broke the "Tek" in Assam, and, though the organization is now reforming, the police believe they still have their own men well on the inside.

Communism has small influence in the backward hill areas where tribal rule still prevails under supervision of political officers, much as in British days. The Nagas, most independent-minded of all the tribes, have a communal economic system of their own, and see little advantage in the Marxism expounded by local prophets. Only in the Lushai Hills, where a harsh, feudal landlord system always prevailed, has some impression been made. Communists hiding in the Lushai hills are known to make sporadic contact with Burmese Communists in the Arakan.

Landless Refugees

Communism's greatest success has been with the Ahoms, a landless tribe of plainmen who once ruled Assam. Assam has, in fact, land to spare, but the conflicting claims of landless refugees and Assamese, and the slowness of the Assam Government in reaching decisions, have pushed the Ahom claims into the background.

The battle of Assam is by no means won. The small neighbouring states of Manipur and Tripura are buzzing hives of Communism. In Manipur, the Communist leader, Irawat Singh, who continues to defy the police with a price of 10,000 rupees on his head, is the chief "contact man" of the Communist Party of Burma. Tripura is regarded by the Mao school of Communists (agrarian, as against orthodox industrial revolutionists) as a model experiment. The Communist leader in Tripura, Dashrat, and his lieutenants, are all local men of little education, yet they restrict the effective rule of the Indian Government to the neighbourhood surrounding the capital, Agartala.

SITTING ON THE FENCE

By NATHANIEL GUBBINS

THIS is the time of the year (peak of the silly season) when you get chaps like Oom Daan Mouten, a South African farmer, telling you that sheep go bald if people speak sharply to them.

It is also the time of the year when the British Association meets, and you get chaps like Dr. R. W. Parnell telling you that fat men usually drink more beer than skinny men, and that university girls are thinner and less muscular than Borsalotti girls.

Of course, if you are cynical and superior about such matters you won't care if sheep go bald or not, so long as you can get a bit of one on your plate occasionally.

You may care even less about the size of Borsalotti girls, but you can't eat them, whether they are fat or not. Moreover, although you are indifferent to the size of beer swillers, it might occur to you that they are overweight because they drink too much, and do not drink too much because they are overweight. You will dismiss it wearily as a simple case of cause and effect.

But if you are an eager busybody, passionately interested in matters of no importance, the news about the

bald-headed sheep will send you scurrying off on a tour of the countryside telling farmers and shepherds not to be rude to animals.

And if you are an eager scientist, also interested in matters of no importance, it seems that you will go about the country asking fat men how much beer they consume, and weighing, measuring, and feeling the muscles of university girls and Borsalotti girls.

Although the joy of discovery is part of the fun of being a scientist, to a layman like myself it seems a sheer waste of time.

I could provide the learned doctor with material equally obvious and even less interesting without moving from my desk. For instance, I could tell him that fishmen are usually more muscular, though not always as fat, as duckmen; and that most men who drink and smoke too much not only develop big tummies, but have a nasty hacking cough in the morning, which is known as Brewer's Asthma.

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Readers' Letters

VETERINARIAN'S ADVICE

To the Editor of THE POST

Sir,—It was with much interest that I read your reporter's article "Doctors Propose Experts' Commission to Study Milk" last week, but was most astonished to realize that the Veterinary profession, the body primarily concerned with the detection and eradication of Bovine Tuberculosis and the prevention of its transmission to human beings, was not even mentioned in the paragraph saying that "A resolution was adopted calling upon the Government to appoint a commission consisting of representatives of the Medical Association, the Organization of Pathologists, the medical institutions and the producers of milk and dairy products, to study the problem immediately."

The facts are that the Veterinary Institute did a considerable amount of work on milk by-products as sources of Tuberculosis infection, and that the Government Veterinary Services conducted a country-wide survey of the incidence of tuberculosis in our cattle population, and urged upon the medical profession the necessity for the control of this disease among livestock.

Yours, etc.,
Y. S. GOOR
Department of Veterinary Services,
Ministry of Agriculture,
Jerusalem.

HYDROPONICS GROUP

To the Editor of THE POST

Sir,—It certainly will interest you that a group of private researchers intend to be active in the field of Hydroponics in order to find ways to produce more vegetables and other foodstuffs for the benefit of the public and the State.

Persons and institutions wishing to further the progress of soil-less gardening through setting up research stations in the three cities and pooling of experience are invited to contact Mr. W. Schiller, Mr. Aviv, Hascharon 12, or Mr. Aba Cohen, Kfar Menaschem, Post Tel Aviv. Of course we are working with Dr. Sackin, although this gentleman will remain outside the group.

Yours, etc.,
ABA COHEN,
Kfar Menaschem, Sept. 1.

ENCOURAGING ART

To the Editor of THE POST

Sir,—There is no dearth of professional guess comment on art exhibitions, but it is only rarely that art lovers among the laymen express their views.

The position is quite different when we consider the ap-

plied arts, such as commercial and industrial design. Applied art is intended to reach the wide public and its aims are generally speaking more easily understood. For this reason there is always lively discussion in the press concerning postage stamps, poster designs, etc. When criticism is voiced it is welcome and indeed necessary as long as it is constructive and informed.

However, it is regrettable that most criticism regarding designs for the State and official institutions concerns itself with demonstrating the bad and rarely praising the good. It would be fair and at the same time encouraging to all those engaged in the applied arts if people who have a good word about commercial art would make their opinions known. Such praise (when deserved) would do a great deal to encourage the artist.

Yours, etc.,
S. LIGHTMAN
Givatayim, August.

TRAFFIC COURTS

To the Editor of THE POST

Sir,—You quite correctly refer (in today's leader) to the unchecked traffic conditions as "a public scandal." It is a mistake, however, to surmise that as far as the Law Courts are concerned, "it is a matter of money for additional Magistrates." It is not. The fault lies with the Ministry of Justice. Proposals have been submitted for lawyers to act as part-time Traffic Magistrates. But the outdated principle (which incidentally is contrary to present day accepted English practice) of not admitting lawyers to act as judicial officers within a limited scope is still maintained. So year in and year out — nothing effective is done to reduce road accidents.

Yours, etc.,
DR. R. WEYL
Jerusalem.

STAMPS TO HONOLULU

To the Editor of THE POST

Sir,—May I ask for your kind indulgence and cooperation in a most deserving request.

There are a great many shut-ins in a tubercular institution, The Leahi Hospital, Honolulu, Hawaii, who in order to get their minds hap-

Speedy Action Brings Elath Back to Life

By ANITA ENGLE

hard for any signs of culinary austerity.

THE outlines of the future city of Elath are no longer a matter of imagination and they grow brighter by the week. In the past few weeks, there have been enormous changes and improvements. Today, Elath is suddenly a place of high hopes, hard work and almost no austerity. Ever since the last Press junket to Elath and the resultant batch of stories telling the woeful tale of insufficient food, undrinkable water and inadequate refrigeration, speedy government action has been taken. When I arrived in Elath last week, it was unbelievably different.

I sat at the grocery shop and saw hot, thirsty Elathers drink iced coffee, cold honey beer and fresh boiled milk brought from the experimental agricultural station at Evrona, 14 kilometres away. I ate a fine meat meal, had an egg and fruit (tinned) for breakfast and had to look

A plant is being built to remove the magnesium content of the drinking water. A fish meal factory will start operating in less than two months and help to put local fishing on its feet. A bakery is going up. There is already a four-room hospital and a branch of Kupat Holim. I was shown Elath's newest building, a Tuva, housed in a fine prefab with "structural air conditioning" and a brick-lined septic tank. No matter what the cost may be, there will be no pollution of the sea here.

New Houses

The new houses I heard so much about on my last visit are really almost finished. They are surrounded by wide verandahs with walls of varying thickness to cope with the heat and the northwind.

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Elath will soon be one of the choice spots in Israel — it might almost be that now, if only there were enough girls to share the adventure. From now on, there will be plenty of openings for women. Most jobs end by one o'clock, and swimming in the moonlit waters of the Red Sea with the promise of an iced drink to follow should be considerable temptation. Anyone who is interested can apply to the Histadrut Secretary, Elath.

Yours, etc.,
ARTHUR C. MARKS
Honolulu, August 23

HAIFA ART NOTES

Joel Robr Serigraphs

THE coloured serigraphs, exhibited by Mr. Joel Robr at Goldman and Neufeld's, Hadar Hagarmel, fall into the category of woodcuts, monotype and lithographs except that the transmitting medium to the paper is silk. Like other colour prints, each colour is applied separately, and similarly, if great care is not exercised, the colour may not slip exactly into its allotted space. It is evident that, in order to rise above a very average level of poster, a stylistic twist is essential. That does not depend on ambitious symbolism of theme, e.g. his "Eternal Scapegoat," "Where to?" or "Warsaw Ghetto," but rather on the composition of the picture. Take "Digging in" (No. 7). Here you have two men, one on either side, one at a hand-drill, the other with a spade. The bodies of both are taut and that tautness is translated into the slightly cubist trend of the watchtower and silo and of the

sharply triangular hills. The main colour is brown in variations and offset by green and grey patches. Or we look at the successful "Cyclamens" (No. 4). To the right the flowers stand, gigantic exaggerated, and balanced to the left by an inhabited landscape on a much smaller scale. Thus the ground lying between the flowers and the distant houses takes on the appearance of a valley which leads to the village and gives depth to the work.

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OCCUPIED JAPAN'S MAJOR RECOVERY

By FRANK ROBERTSON

TOKYO (OPNS)—ALTHOUGH six years of Allied Occupation have by no means transformed Japan into a democracy along Western lines, as has sometimes been claimed, there is reason to believe that some of the major changes introduced by the Allies will remain as law long after Japan has regained sovereignty. Of these the most important is land reform.

Japanese Government leaders have stated repeatedly that rural reforms will be allowed to stand. There is no reason to doubt their sincerity in this matter, particularly since the land reform programme—probably the most successful single project of the Occupation—has proved such a powerful factor in weakening Communist influence in these islands.

New Landowners

But because existing credit institutions have not kept pace with the revolutionary changes in rural areas brought by SCAP (Supreme Command, Allied Powers) directives, the most urgently needed development is the establishment of a sound system of rural credit. Indeed, the whole structure built by land reform could be seriously weakened unless the millions of new landowners are able to borrow money at reasonable rates for the purchase of seed, fertilizer and equipment and for the maintenance of their property.

Land reform transformed Japan from a country in which 46 per cent of the farmland

was operated by tenants, to one in which independent landowners cultivate 80 per cent of the agricultural land. More than 3,000,000 farmers, well over half of Japan's total, bought land during the land reform programme. And these new landowners represent an important and influential bloc of votes.

Japan's traditionally conservative farmers are among the strongest supporters of the Liberal Party, which seems destined to remain in power for a long time to come. The Liberals are not likely to jeopardize this support by tampering with the accomplishments of the reform programme.

Although individuals are now free to purchase land—until a year ago purchases were handled by the government—the amount that can be bought is strictly controlled to prevent landlords from buying up freely. Probably the most landlords can do is to lobby for additional compensation, and this will not in any way affect holdings.

Economic Recovery

Although Japan will lose \$350,000 worth of business a day if the Korean war ends, this country's economic recovery has been so rapid and substantial that this loss is not expected to cause serious hardship. Since the beginning of the Korean war, Japan has supplied a wide range of manufactured goods, ranging from trucks to sandbags, to the United Nations Command, and has earned further in-



At her peak in 1942, Japan had conquered most of South Asia and her control extended 5,520 kilometres southwest and 6,400 kilometres southeast, controlling a population of 225,000,000.

Under the peace treaty, Japan will revert to her pre-empire status. But her present population of 84,100,000 is nearly three times that of 1945, when contacts were established with the West.

come from the rehabilitation of Allied war equipment and from communications and transportation charges.

This has saved time and money for the United Nations, and at the same time has given a marked boost to Japan's economic recovery. Steps already are being taken to ensure that part at least of this lost income will be replaced.

For one thing, Japan will get its share of the funds spent in Korea by the United Nations Korea Reconstruction Agency, which is expected to spend close to \$100,000,000 a year rebuilding the war-shattered peninsula. In addition, a good proportion of the equipment and goods needed for ECA (United States Economic Cooperation Administration) projects in South-East Asia is expected to be purchased from Japan.

Furthermore, the Allied Occupation army is now on a pay-as-you-go basis, thus lifting a heavy burden from the Japanese economy. All this will help offset the loss of income from the Korean war, but in any case Japan's economy today is believed sound enough—thanks in part to the \$2,000 million in aid poured in by the United States—to stand up to this loss.

Foreign Trade Japan's foreign trade is improving all the time, particularly with South-East Asia. For some time now Japan has enjoyed a favourable balance of trade with Malaya, India, Indo-China, Thailand and other Asian countries, to which she has been selling textiles, iron and steel products, machinery and chemicals and non-ferrous metals.

Production costs in Japan are high, largely because Chinese coaling and ores are no longer available; coal imported from the United States costs almost three times as much as that imported from North China would.

But, fortunately for Japan, greatly increased production costs have been offset by world demand. Australia, for example, is buying all the Japanese steel it can get.

Argentina is another important customer.

Statistics recently released by the Japanese Government show that agricultural, mining and forestry production for the past fiscal year reached the level of the 1934-35 base years, this beating by one year the target date set by SCAP's

finding the going heavy. Almost every week the police track down and suppress Communist publications. To date more than 1,500 have been banned.

Communists Lose Filled in the rural areas by the success of the land reform programme, the Communists have been concentrating their efforts in the industrial areas of Tokyo-Yokohama, Osaka-Kobe and northern Kyushu; and in the mining districts of Hokkaido. But they have not been able to make notable headway. Their agents are under constant surveillance, and—most trade unions are strongly organized Communist influence.

Sanzo Nozaka, Kyuichi Tokuda and six other Communist leaders who went underground when the purge directive was issued last year are still at large, although they have been the object of what probably has been the most intense man-hunt in Japan's history. It is assumed that they are still in Japan.

Although Nozaka was bitterly criticized by the Communist Party in January 1950 for his "misguided and dangerous" policy of revolution through parliamentary procedure, it is believed that the centralist faction of the party, which he and Tokuda lead, still dominates the Communist organization in Japan.

The question of outlawing the party—which still is legal, with some 30 members in the Diet—is still raised from time to time, but the present Government at least, is not likely to take such action. It does not want to drive the Communist Party underground completely, since at present it is possible to keep fairly close tabs on party activities.

Legal or not, the Japan Communist Party today undoubtedly is the weakest in Asia, and seems destined to remain so in the foreseeable future.

Communists Weakened The sorry state in which the Japanese Communist Party finds itself today must be credited to the Allied occupation as well as to economic recovery. Membership is believed to have fallen off to around 60,000 since General MacArthur directed that party leaders and publications be purged in June, 1950. Today the members are most likely in lowly, the party's overt activity being concentrated almost exclusively on propaganda work. But even in this field, it is

armistice agreement with Israel, and for the lifting of emergency regulations and other crucial test topics remains to be seen.

There seem to be two equally dangerous alternatives. Either Talal, proclaimed King this week, will keep up with modern government in his country and abolish his father's feudalistic policy, or, backed by his British and Iraqi advisors, he will continue to oppose the elected body of the Jordan people. An open revolt could easily result from this.

There is little doubt that when Glubb Pasha made his statement recently in Amman that "If it were not for the Jews, the entire Middle East would be at peace," he was trying to save his rapidly deteriorating prestige. Most of the new members of parliament seem to be agreed that the British Commander and the staff of the Arab Legion should quit as soon as possible. The examples of Iran and Egypt cannot be over-estimated.

Budget Criticized The member of parliament for Nabatiya, Kadri Bay Tounes, wrote in "Ad-Difa" on the day the parliament was sworn in that "there had never before been greater confusion and turmoil in Jordan." He cited the desperate shortage of money, enormous unemployment, and the complete standstill of the business. He stated that the present parliamentary term will be the most painful in the country's history and calls upon his colleagues in the House to follow the example of the first House which opposed the King and government. "It is a fight for life or death," he proclaimed. "For the will of the people or the will of the few. Parliament is the organ of the people and must gain the upper hand."

Meanwhile parliament has started its first session.

Colonel Adib Shihab, the political boss of Syria, announced that Damascus "will not rest until a plabistic has been carried out in Jordan and the question of its future supervised by the neutral Arab League."

Dangerous Alternatives

There is no real successor to King Abdullah. Both King Talal and Emir Na'if are regarded as incapable of running the kingdom. What crisis will come when the newly elected members of parliament begin their campaign for the cancellation of the Anglo-Jordanian treaty, against the

THE AMERICAN SCENE: COLOURED QUESTIONS

ALL EYES ON GOLDEN GATE

By KENNETH HARRIS

WASHINGTON—WASHINGTON has now begun to quieten down as journalists, diplomats and protocol experts have all streamed out to San Francisco. Before the Russians were known to be turning up for the signing, only a handful of journalists had decided to go. Now special planes had to be chartered to get them out there.

San Francisco is a good trip for journalists or businessmen—although it takes nine hours or so to fly there non-stop, when you get out there the hands of the clock seem to have advanced only six hours owing to the time difference.

Diplomatic Defeat

Judging by the tone of the Press here, San Francisco is rightly or wrongly already being regarded as a diplomatic defeat for the American Government. Most informed American journalists assume that the Russians would be there, the American Government looked on San Francisco as a happy harmonious Russian-free celebration in which the Americans would shine on a grateful Japan like a virtuous and forgiving sun with Britain and France and the rest of the victor nations reflecting the light like a lot of docile moons.

With the coming of the

Russians San Francisco at once took on a different aspect. With the refusal of the Indian Government to come along the Americans, far from looking like the benevolent big brother of the repentant little Jap, are going to have to sweat hard out there to prevent Gromyko and his men from making the treaty look like an imperialist noose being put round the Asiatics' neck.

There is great public interest here in what is happening. San Francisco has displaced Kaesong (the centre of the Korean truce talks) as the taxi-driver's topic of conversation, and within a few days all Americans eyes turned towards the Golden Gate as they have in the past gazed toward Berlin, Lake Success and, of course, Kaesong.

Etiquette for Japanese

I understand that the Japanese Government's delegation to San Francisco for the treaty signing is going through a course of Western etiquette. Manners drill is, apparently, being taught by means of a little book prepared by the Japanese Foreign Office, in which 14 "do's" and "don'ts" represent the epitome of politeness.

Among these points are: do not loiter in the lobby without any definite intention; do not walk in the corridor of the hotel dressed in your pyjamas; do not drink alcohol

to excess; do not sing in your room and try to be as quiet as possible; do not make a noise while you are eating; do not belch after your meals—this is considered very impolite in the United States; do not present your calling-card to everyone you see—in the United States only salesmen follow this custom.

Motorists' Ordeal

I have just bought a second-hand motor-car, and am now going through the financial and legal ordeal necessary here to put a car on the road. First it has to be tested by the police to see that its lighting, brakes and steering are up to standard. Their standards are very high. The fact that the car was tested and passed a month ago when the previous owner's annual inspection came due has made no difference—I have had to get it tested again.

Since the man from whom I bought it lives in the state of Virginia, whereas I, though only three miles away, live in Washington, District of Columbia, I have to take out a new registration card for the car, and have to have the certificate of title transferred to me and witnessed by a notary. I have to pay a sales tax equivalent to about \$10 on the deal to the Government of the District, as well as \$3 for the District of Columbia license and a fee for the test, and, of course, a dollar for the notary to watch me sign the certificate and then bash it with his stamp.

Then comes the insurance which in the United States is so expensive that after people have paid they can scarcely raise enough money to buy petrol to get the car to move. If you want to be "covered," you must insure a car for practically everything except the measles, and insure yourself, and anybody, or anything you may hit, or who or which may hit you, in a variety of degrees and amounts.

I have taken out what in Britain would be considered a reasonable comprehensive insurance policy. With my licence, test, sales tax and, of course, the dollar for the notary, I find it will cost me a few shillings less than £30 to put the car on the road.

Cemetery Colour Bar The widow and a little group of mourners stood in the far corner of the memorial cemetery at Sioux cemetery in the State of Iowa. The body of Sergeant John Rice, killed in action with the American First Cavalry Division in Korea, was being lowered into its grave.

Suddenly cemetery officials appeared and interrupted the rites; John Rice, though an American, was of Indian blood, and the rules of the cemetery said that only "people of Caucasian blood" should be buried there. So Sergeant John Rice's body, which, though Red Indian, had been good enough for Korea, was taken out of the cemetery, and his relatives began to look for another, less colour-conscious resting place.

President Truman heard of what happened within a few minutes. He at once offered to have John Rice buried with military honours at the National Cemetery at Arlington in Washington, if the relatives were agreeable.

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FROM SEPTEMBER 9 — SEPTEMBER 15

FROM LYDDA AIRPORT

Sunday	AIRLINE:	DESTINATION:
Sept. 9	S.A.A.	Rome, London
	L.A.I.	Rome, Madrid, London
	P.L.A.	Nicosia, Athens
	HELLAS	Athens, London, Shannon, Gander, New York
	EL AL	Nicosia, Athens, Rome, Vienna
	CYPRUS AIRWAYS	Nicosia, Athens, Rome, Vienna
	EL AL	Nicosia, Athens, Rome, Vienna
Monday	S.A.A.	Frankfurt, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki
Sept. 10	T.W.A.	Paris, London, New York
	AIR FRANCE	Nairobi, Johannesburg
	S.A.A.	Tehran, Karachi, Calcutta, Bombay
Tuesday	K.L.M.	Rome, Zurich, Paris, New York
Sept. 11	P.L.A.	Rome, Zurich, Paris, New York
	FL AL	Bombay, London, Paris, New York
	BAEWA	Rome, London
	S.A.A.	Rome, London
Wednesday	S.A.A.	Rome, London
Sept. 12	P.L.A.	Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Tokyo
	SWINE AIR	Athens, Geneva, Zurich
	EL AL	Nicosia, Istanbul
	K.L.M.	American, London, New York
	S.A.A.	Rome, London, New York
Thursday	S.A.A.	Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Tokyo
Sept. 13	T.W.A.	Athens, Rome, Geneva, Paris, New York
	EL AL	Rome, Paris, London, Shannon, Gander, New York
	CYPRUS AIRWAYS	Nicosia, Athens, Ankara, Istanbul
	HELLAS	Nicosia, Athens
	ATE FRANCE	Paris, London, New York
	S.A.A.	Nairobi, Johannesburg
Friday	S.A.A.	Rome, London
Sept. 14	K.L.M.	Istanbul, Munich, Copenhagen, Vienna, Oslo, Stockholm
	EL AL	Bombay, London, Paris, New York
	CYPRUS AIRWAYS	Nicosia, Port Sudan, Khartoum
	EL AL	Nicosia, Port Sudan, Khartoum
Saturday	S.A.A.	Nairobi, Johannesburg
Sept. 15		

FROM HAIFA AIRPORT

Wednesday	CYPRUS AIRWAYS	Nicosia
Sept. 13		
Sept. 14		

FROM HAIFA PORT

Sept. 13	S.A. "Kaima"	Gonos-Marseilles-Naples
Sept. 14	S.A. "Albion"	Larnaca-Piraeus-Bari-Venice-Trieste

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INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM REMAINS UNSOLVED

Tito and the Trieste Tangle

By CECIL SPRIGGE

THE efforts now being made by the Western Powers to strengthen their relations with Tito and to bolster Yugoslavia's international position through the provision of economic aid have once more drawn attention to the still unresolved dispute between Yugoslavia and Italy over Trieste.

In Italy itself, Trieste still features in the climax of a very major political speech and holds the press headlines after week, although nothing has happened officially and visibly to change the situation there for many months past.

The Trieste question crystallized as an international problem just over three years ago when Britain, France and the United States made their joint proposal that the Peace Treaty settlement of Trieste as an autonomous buffer territory should be recognized to be unworkable and that the territory should be handed back to Italy.

There were two difficulties about this suggestion. First, the Trieste settlement could not legally be made without the Russian agreement and Russia has never agreed publicly that it is unworkable and that the territory should be handed back to Italy.

Secondly, pending the execution of the Peace Treaty, Yugoslavia troops had, under a previous agreement, occupied a part of the Trieste territory. This part, known as Zone B, contained only one fifth of the total population of about 370,000 but covered about two thirds of the area of the territory without including any part of Trieste City.

Yugoslavs Leave Trieste
The Allied declaration neither cancelled Russia's objections nor made the Yugoslavs any more disposed than previously to evacuate the zone. It was only by a stiff combination of persuasion and threats that the Yugoslavs had been induced by the British commander of the Allied forces to move out of Trieste city itself, in 1948. Not even the Italian nationalists have yet publicly suggested that the Allies should drive the Yugoslavs out of Zone B. But they have been saying ever since the Tito-Coblenz split that the evacuation of Zone B could very easily be demanded from Tito as part of the price for helping him against Moscow. In Belgrade, on the other hand, it is naturally argued that the Western Allies should be glad to get Yugoslavia's potential support without setting any such price, and that Italy herself should reject at no longer being on the edge of the Iron Curtain.

If security from Russian threats is the overriding need of both Italy and Yugoslavia, the continuance of a frontier dispute between them is obviously deplorable. But in considering the possibility of an agreement between the two Adriatic neighbours, it has to be remembered that both Moscow and the Italian Fascists and near-Fascists assert that the Western Allies are secretly determined to continue their military occupation of Trieste. The Russian assertion is that Trieste is a mighty military and proffering a station for the Allies, chiefly of course the Americans. The Italian nationalists, who not very long ago regarded the handful of Anglo-American troops in Trieste as their great safeguard against Slavdom, do not seriously allege that Britain is digging herself in com-



mercially in the city. But they harp on the notion that in the course of a prolonged occupation Britain hopes to dim Italian enthusiasm about Trieste and then to sponsor, with the acquiescence of a sluggish Rome Government, a new deal favouring Yugoslavia.

Britons on Holiday
Some Italian journalists assert that this might happen even sooner. They have seen in this year's holiday visits to Yugoslavia of British politicians such as Mr. Aneurin Bevan, Mr. Ernest Davies and Mr. Richard Crossman, the weaving of a sinister British web of intrigue. The suspicion has been a party to proposals for some such "betrayal" had a good deal to do with Count Sforza's recent departure from the post of Foreign Minister, and may give the De Gasperi Government further trouble after the present parliamentary recess.

What really enrages these nationalist critics — and the Communists too — is that Signor De Gasperi and Count Sforza consider that an agreement with Yugoslavia — which would mean nothing without the strengthening of Italy's international position.

Such an agreement would not be difficult to make between two Governments powerful enough to ignore public sentiment in their respective countries: it was done in the days of Mussolini and Padoa when no more love was lost than at present between Italians and South Slavs.

Races Mingle
The mingling of the two races at the head of the Adriatic extends over a large area across which many different de jure and de facto frontiers have been drawn in the last few decades. Italy has long since officially resigned herself to the loss of Fiume — not to mention that of Lubiana, the Slovene city, which in maps of 1941-42 appeared as incorporated in Italy. As for Yugoslavia, her troops occupied Trieste for several weeks in 1945 and at one time Yugoslav partisan troops were well beyond Udine. But Tito has definitely offered to drop all his claims to Trieste at a price. The price, which he asked in 1947 and which Italy would not consider was the frontier city of Gorizia.

If Italy obtained all that she now officially demands — the return to her of the entire Trieste Free Territory in accordance with the Three-Power pledge of 1948 — there

would still be many towns of Italian character and a substantial Italian minority left under Yugoslav rule.

If the Yugoslavs obtained what is apparently their present price for giving up their claims on Trieste — namely, permanent possession of Zone B which they now occupy — this would mean only a small change in a situation the main feature of which has been their winning of Fiume and Istria and their failure to win Trieste itself.

Free Answers to 1m. Questions
London, (NANA) — London alone, the Advice Bureau is rolling along at the rate of 1,000,000 free answers a year to make English taxpayers in the world. But the average Englishman doesn't stop with such mundane and static queries. So far this year, among questions catalogued by tireless advice aids, he has asked: where to obtain translation of a Siamese advertisement; how to find holiday accommodation for a cat and dog; where to learn how to become a wine waiter; who owns the side of Barra in the Outer Hebrides.

CINEMA NOTES

Venice Festival Variety

PEOPLE whose profession it is to cover every European film festival told me confidentially that the two or three great forces in the world are international festivals. Cannes in April, for instance was rather leftist in character — at least in comparison with this present 12th International Film Festival here. To prove their theory they say that de Sica's new and fantastically perfect opera, "Il Miracolo di Milano," was shown abroad, in Cannes, and not in Venice. As a fact, there is not a single work of the leftist and realistic Italian directors on the Venice programme.

The great luxurious apparatus of the Venice festival, with its enormous press department of 150 and more officials, and splendidly printed programmes, is Government-sponsored, and the many short films of Italian origin on the programme make it clear that the Venice festival is definitely not leftist in character. On the other hand, the committee which determines which films will be shown seems to work without any prejudice, as the bill offers so obviously different items as France's interesting new achievement, "Le Journal d'un Curé de Campagne" and America's "A Streetcar

By EDWARD CRANKSHAW

LONDON (OPNS)

FOR the first time since the Revolution a number of factors among the Russian emigré group of America and Europe have overcome their differences sufficiently to adopt a common programme aimed at undermining the Soviet regime.

This was achieved last month at a highly secret conference at an unnamed place near Stuttgart, in the American zone of Germany. Whether the rival groups will be able to keep their new-found unity remains to be seen. Differences hitherto have been sharp; and they seem likely to remain so. They give the measure of the immense practical difficulties to be overcome before any efficient alternative government of Russia could be found, even granted the collapse of the Stalin regime.

Kerensky Again

The chairman of last week's conference was Alexander Kerensky, the ill-fated Prime Minister of the 1917 Provisional Government, who was thrown out by Lenin and his Bolsheviks. Kerensky, the lawyer politician, who over thirty years ago proved himself not only incompetent to manage the people of Russia, but also incapable of understanding their mood, is hardly the figurehead one would oppose to Stalin.

In January of this year, at Füssen in Western Germany, his own organization for the liberation of the Russian

people found itself in sharp conflict with the Vlasovites (S.E.O.N.R.) and National Labour Council (N.T.S.) which represent the new generation of emigrés — deserters and displaced persons, mostly who regard Kerensky and his friends as ineffectual socialist intellectuals, and who themselves are regarded by Kerensky as heavily tainted with monarchism and/or fascist tendencies.

But even if these internal discussions could be finally smoothed away, which is improbable, there remains the almost insoluble problem of what kind of a new Russia to fight for. It was on this rock that the January conference went aground.

The problem is whether disaffected elements inside Russia should be appealed to as proud citizens of a united and centralized Russia, a great power among great powers, which can find salvation by getting rid of Stalin and his Government; or whether the idea of a united Russia should be dropped in favour of separate appeals to the various national minorities, from the Ukrainians to the Tadzhiks, to work not only against Stalin but also against the domination of Moscow and Great Russia, Communist or not.

This is the main conflict which will emerge into the open whenever the question of alternatives to Stalin are discussed. Should the great empire of Moscow be allowed to continue, as a unity, or in federated form, or should it be broken up? Kerensky is hardly the man to weld together on this issue the opinions of all the nationalities which now form the Soviet

the course of the week. On the same day the Israel film, "Tent City," was shown twice and made a remarkable impression. Really dramatic, however, was the first performance of a new British film, "No Resting Place," directed by England's great documentary promoter, Paul Rotha. After we have learned from the two first reels of the life of three wandering farm worker families, their search for work, and the murder of a gamekeeper, the performance was suddenly interrupted. We thought the film had torn. But while the lights slowly came on a voice announced over the loudspeaker "Ladies and Gentlemen, Mr. Winston Churchill." He appeared with his wife, and the audience rose and applauded.

Escape to India

Finally, the most interesting film was Jean Renoir's "The River" (after a book by Rumer Godden). Jean, son of Auguste Renoir, and one of the most influential creators of French film realism in such epochal works like "Régie du Jeu," "La Grande Illusion," "Le Bataillon," told us some hours before the premiere of "The River," that he now — after having worked in Hollywood during the German occupation of France — has finally abandoned reason. He is in the present quest of mania — on the way from the exterior to the interior, and "action" has lost all importance for him. As a fact, he now looks for sensuality by forming a single character — a character the feeling of which will be more enlightening as a symbol of millions of other characters than the masses themselves could ever be.

His film confirms this — but it gives even more. It reveals in a striking synthesis of Indian technique and philosophy and the first love of two European (English) and one Indian teen-age girls to a suddenly appearing young American war veteran with an artificial leg a charmingly poetical kaleidoscope of tender passions and conditions — between, and beyond all this, however, we perceive the source of French poetry and spiritual humanity which transpires clearly even from the shores of the Ganges.

The heroine is played by a young girl — Patricia Walters, and she will be remembered for some time to come; and so will be the Indian girl, Radha, the proud one, Adrienne Cori, Nora Bonifant, and Edward Knight the father and mother; and Thomas E. Brown, who succeeds in giving the first serious film-impersonation of a young American war invalid.

All that is, of course, neither a left nor a right film, and even not a film of the mid-way.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION
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PIONEER of SOCIALIST ZIONISM

MEIR HERSKOWITZ, HATTAI U. HERSKOWITZ (The Life and Times of M. Syrkin), by Dr. Meir H. Herskowitz, published by the Jewish Book Company, New York.

"Economic equality as the outcome of the evolution of freedom and spiritual creativity — that is true Socialism which will kindle the torch on the hills of Judea and become a light to mankind" — this was Syrkin's last prophecy before he died on September 4, 1951.

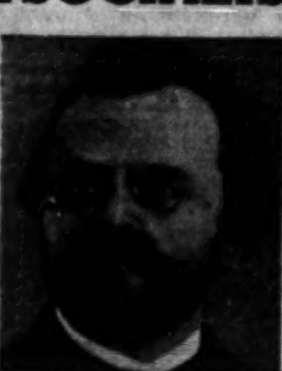
Born in Mohilev, White Russia, in 1882, Syrkin joined the "Lovers of Zion," and revolutionary groups while still in his teens. On his release from prison for his political activities, he went, in 1898, to London and then to Berlin where he studied philosophy and economics without neglecting his Jewish studies. Berlin was in those days one of the centers of Jewish students from Russia; Syrkin took an active part in their Association and in 1906 published (in German) his "Reflections on the Philosophy of History." He became one of the first followers of Herzl and in 1907 "The Jewish Question and the Socialist State" he anticipated much of the ideas that were to become the lodestar of his life. At the second Zionist Congress, in 1906, he caused an uproar with his demand for a cooperative constitution for the new "Jewish Colonial Trust."

The following decade found Syrkin engaged in propaganda in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, then again in London and Berlin, until expelled from Germany in 1904. He went to Paris, returned to Russia after the revolution of 1905, and shortly thereafter settled in New York. For some time, he edited a "territorialist" Yiddish paper, but in 1909 joined the Poale-Zion movement and soon became one of its central figures. One of the initiators of the American Jewish Congress, he was a member of the delegation to the Peace Conference of Paris in 1919. In the following year, he went to Eretz-Israel with a Poale-Zion mission which submitted a large-scale settlement plan on cooperative lines. It was the year of Tel Hai and his essay "The Defense of Life" marked his connection with the labor movement in this country. Then he resumed his activities in America where the all too brief span of his life ended.

This is the bare outline of the life sketched by Mr. Lipov in his little book. We should have liked to hear something about the man himself, his character, his way of life, and the circles in which he moved, but this would have been beyond the scope of a short biography whose main task was to portray not the man but his ideas and his work.

The Russian Background
Syrkin was born seven years after the abolition of serfdom, five years after the formation of the "Land and Freedom" group, and he grew up in that period of unrest and revolutionary upsurge which Turgenyev has described and which came to its climax in 1905. The younger Jewish intelligentsia was naturally attracted to this movement, the more so because of the anti-Jewish policy of the Czarist Government which culminated in the discriminatory laws of 1882 and the pogroms of 1903 and 1906.

In this atmosphere, the emergence of the Jewish national movement and the call



M. Syrkin

of Herzl was bound to rouse the spirits, and the one question which exercised the minds of the younger generation, both in Russia and at the European universities, was: Socialism or Zionism? None among the early leaders of Jewish Socialism has given more of his time to the search for a merging of these ideas than Nahman Syrkin, and much of what he preached has remained valid to this day. Some of it, especially his theory of the Galut, has topical importance today, though the angle under which Syrkin conceived it, is no longer consistent with the changed conditions.

A Jewish Synthesis
Characteristically enough, Syrkin's point of departure in his successful attempt at synthesis was not the Communist Manifesto but the spiritual legacy of Israel. In the principles of social justice and universalism laid down by lawgivers and prophets he saw the only explanation and justification of

Israel's survival, and he found these basic ideas of Socialism whenever he read of "The Days to Come," "The Renewal of the World," or the conditions attached to the "Return to Zion." He went so far as to believe that the Jewish fathers of modern Socialism were inspired by the same ideas. He followed this trend of thought throughout his penetrating analysis of the part played by the Jews in the lands of the Diaspora, from their importance in medieval international trade through their subsequent degradation as middle-men and peddlers, to their new rise in modern European capitalism and, simultaneously, proletarianism in Eastern Europe and mass emigration. To this merely functional view and soul-debilitating assimilation, Syrkin opposed, as the only possible historic answer, the return to Israel's own country. As a staunch Socialist, he was convinced that this process of revival can only be achieved by the working class, but tended to believe that the class struggle should not precede but follow the national redemption once the nation has ceased to be a foreign element and minority among others and became firmly rooted in its own economy — not by any means in an "Aha-Ha" socialist spiritual center alone.

In more than one respect Syrkin had an almost prophetic vision of things to come. And the firm belief of this standard-bearer of Jewish Socialism that the fulfillment of Zionism will lead the people to moral regeneration and to a return to its own genius is the lesson of his legacy.

RETURN

In memoriam Nachman Syrkin, died New York, September 4, 1951, buried in Kinnereth, September 6, 1951.

You would have gloried in this great return.
Across two seas, a vanished world, and more —
Borne from the flickering shade of grave and urn,
Out of sepulchral earth to the dreamed shore.
Could you but see what flag flies from the mast,
What comrades wait beside Kinnereth lake,
Of vision! I wish for your dear sake
I could in faith believe that you now know:
That these strong spirit, not these flimsy remains,
Somewhere exists and sees; but yes, or no,
Within that timelessness where time attains
The nerve of truth this moment shines, for you
Were one of those who saw, and one who knew.

MARIE SYRKIN

SCHOLAR'S 80TH BIRTHDAY

Friends of Jewish studies throughout the world will celebrate next Monday, September 10, the 80th birthday of Dr. Samuel Abba Horodetzky. An outstanding scholar in many fields of Hebrew learning, notably Hassidism and Kabbala, Dr. Horodetzky is the author of many important works. His "Hassid-

WELCOME TO VISITOR

The name of few foreign writers is as familiar in Israel as that of John Herzog who arrived this week on a visit. Born in Tientsin in 1914 and educated in America and England, he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for one of his earlier works and won international fame with his "Hirshman" story of the atom bomb attack and its results. In this country he will be greeted as the author of "The Wall," that extraordinary reconstruction of life and death in the Warsaw Ghetto. Reports by survivors and documents served his imagination as material for his moving and almost unaccountable life-like story. A Hebrew edition of "The Wall" is to be published by the New York Times, in Tel Aviv shortly.

NEWSPAPERS Through the Ages

TOLDOT HATTONET HA'OLA (A History of the Jewish Press) by Fritz Goetz. Popular Science Series, Mass, Jerusalem, pp. 128.

This book — the first of its kind in Hebrew — covers the history of journalism from the Roman "Acta Diurna" to a modern giant American newspaper office. The urge of most people to read about the daily happenings in the world, and the urge of other people to go to infinite pains in order to supply such news is described by Mr. Goetz with all the competence and love for his subject which mark that veteran journalist.

The author was a distinguished newspaperman in Germany for a long period before the Nazi regime. He then settled in Tel Aviv teaching journalism to young men and women who understood German, and publishing articles on journalism in several magazines. The present book was ready in February, 1948 but the type was destroyed in the Ben Yehuda street disaster.

After World War II, Mr. Goetz was offered a leading post at the renewed Ullstein Publishing House in Berlin, but he refused. The 75-year-old journalist said that six months in a German concentration camp had taught him at least one lesson: never to return to Germany.

JUD SUSS
THE COURT JEW. By Selma Stern. Jewish Publishing Society, New York, pp. 312, \$4.

The Court Jew as contractor, banker, politician often ran the affairs of the German rulers of the 17th and 18th centuries. He provided his masters with goods difficult to obtain from Jewry and spices to armaments and money.

Mrs. Stern has written a number of books on German Jewish history. In her latest book she depicts the career of Joseph (Jud) Suss Oppenheimer, the first Jew to play an active part in German politics — Oppenheimer, who grew from a modest banker to a statesman who transformed the economic and political structure of the state, only to end his life on the gallows.

The author analyzes the character changes in these men during their swift ascent from ghetto to court, and emphasizes that most of them remained true to their religion. This Jewish heritage, which was the innermost core of their existence, made them remain Jews though Court Factors. Though they moved with assurance in palace circles, the Jews were merely playing a role. Thus they achieved a certain compromise between Judaism and European enlightenment.

Congress Souvenir
MARKET 'AL HA-CONGRESS HA-ZIONI HA-32. Edited by J. Kuper, pp. 32. Illustrated. Zichron, Tel Aviv.

This "Souvenir Book of the 32nd Zionist Congress" reproduces messages from President Weizmann and Mr. Ben-Gurion and contains a series of competent articles in Hebrew and English on political, economic and scientific aspects of life in Israel. The 32nd Congress itself remains more or less in the background.

The question must be asked whether at a time of acute paper shortage it is necessary to produce publications such as this, printed on finest art paper in large format, with 45 pages of text and photos plus 50 pages of advertisements, each copy weighing about 475 gr. It is certainly not a "Souvenir" of the Congress and most of the material in the text is available in dozens of other publications. On the whole, one cannot help thinking that this is an instructive instance of misguided "private enterprise."

PLONI

MYSTERY MAN

CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE. By David Lewis. Random House, New York, pp. 320, \$2.

The number of famous classics of espionage since the first World War is by no means small, with such masterpieces as the Russian Colonel Kaledin's report, the German Col. Nicola's reminiscences, and Capt. Rindelen's Dark Invader, but Ian Colvin's "Canaris, Chief of Intelligence," makes a valuable addition to the list. The author, who had spent five years in Hitler's Germany as a British Foreign Correspondent, sets out on the sheer impossible task of unravelling the mystery of this "Grey Eminence" of the Secret Service, his strange and contradictory personality, his policy as the Chief of the German "Abwehr," until he was caught by Himmler's hangmen and delivered to the gallows.

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Among Canaris' surprising and baffling acts the author relates the Admiral's occasional attempts to get in touch with the Allies, particularly the British, through his secret contacts. Whether his approaches were the result of an early belief in Germany's doom, his personal respect for Churchill or his dislike of Hitler does not become quite clear, leaving even the British puzzled by Canaris' conduct.

His greatest feat was probably to influence Franco by clever intrigues to remain neutral even in the face of Hitler's pressure and persuasion, thus indirectly contributing to the victorious African Campaign of the Allies. Canaris was probably the only man to assassinate Churchill he did not carry out; of the abortive attempts on Hitler's life he had full knowledge, but cleverly managed to keep in the background, while others paid dearly with their lives.

A certain incoherence and desultoriness of action is evident in the few chapters, probably owing to dearth of information and lack of documentary material. The author wisely invites the reader to solve the riddle of whether Canaris was the loyal Chief of German Intelligence or a British Spy, but leaves enough conflicting evidence and guesswork, even about the exact circumstances of Canaris' death. Ch. REED



The Jerusalem Post on sale at the Geysser Press Shop in the Festival of Britain Garden.

A SAILOR COMES HOME

WINTER SONG. By James Hanley, pp. 317, Phoenix House, London, \$4.

Mr. James Hanley, with his sympathetic understanding of suffering, is the most humane of living writers. In his new novel, "Winter Song," he gives to the problem of helplessness a companion rare in present-day writing. This new story is the last of the cycle and tells of old Dennis Fury, a merchant navy stoker who has gone to sea long after most landmen have retired, and who is tormented, dangerously wounded, rescued and torpedoed again within the space of three days.

His wife, supposing him dead, has given up their house, sold the furniture and taken refuge in a religious institution. As the story unfolds husband and wife become known to us; the domineering, ambitious for her children whom she has estranged by her hardness; he gentle and kindly, living off her strength and suffering from it. Their children are scattered. There is nothing left for the old couple to do but grow together again.

Most of the action of the book is off-stage, but there is one memorable sequence when Dennis and Fanny take a long train journey to visit their boy in prison. When they arrive at last at the remote station, Dennis is too ill to walk to the prison and they are forced to return on the train that brought them. "Many an ocean he's crossed," says Mrs. Fury, "and many the turns of road I went, waiting for him, and here we are back where we started from, back to the beginning. Oh Christ, this is what I always wanted. I can look at him now and see a fine man come home."

So, as the old couple disappear among the quayside crowd, ends a novel that has about it the poetry of humanity.

OLIVIA MANNING

LAST STORY

WORLD SO WIDE. By Sinclair Lewis. Random House, New York, pp. 320, \$2.

It is said, but we must record that this, Sinclair Lewis' last novel and finished just before his death in Rome is bad according to the standards set by himself. If we had never read his other books, it might pass as clever; not verisimilar, but amusing; not well constructed, but well written. Having not only read his first books, but having them well fixed in memory, we cannot but find it tiresomely repetitive. All these American frauds and cranks forming a tight colony in Florence have been held up to derision under other names, practicing other professions in other places, in those first books.

This inescapable verdict is all the sadder because, after all, Lewis was well under seventy, an age when other great writers have still done remarkable work.

P. ARNOLD

Poetic Confessions

I SEE A LIGHT. By David Dainow, pp. 67. Primal Publications, Worthing (Sussex).

It will come as a surprise to the many acquaintances of Mr. Dainow, a born Londoner who came to Jerusalem via South Africa, that he is not only a versatile journalist but a poet as well. While the poems collected in this slim volume certainly do not belong to the category of great poetry, they are the honest, spontaneous expression of a warm heart torn between the bliss and sorrow of love.

A.E.

Physician's Contract

"The United," a novel by Carl F. Zuckerman, Chief of the Philadelphia Delegation to the United Nations, is receiving highly favorable press reviews in the Journal of the Medical Association of Israel, Dr. J. Leibowitz supplements a previous article by Dr. M. Sherman on contracts with physicians. The contract reproduced and commented upon was concluded in 1933 between the Jewish Community of Frankfurt and Dr. Josef Rhomolo Delmadello (1891-1935) and constitutes one of the most interesting documents in the history of public health services of Jewish communities.

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Rare Books in Turkey
For more than four centuries the Sultans of Turkey accumulated priceless books and manuscripts in their palaces, with the result that some 90 per cent of the world's most important Arab manuscripts are now to be found in Istanbul. Only recently has the task of cataloguing them been undertaken, and the Ministry of Education has announced, according to a UNESCO report, that the first parts of the catalogue are now available.

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CASE AGAINST DEATH PENALTY

By ANDREW BOYD

THE SHADOW OF THE GALLOWS. By Vincent Templewood. Gollancz, London, pp. 158, 5/6.

It is a remarkable fact that the only three countries in Western Europe which still retain the death penalty for murder are Great Britain, France and Ireland. In "The Shadow of the Gallows" Lord Templewood tells us that in the other 26 states which have abolished capital punishment there has been no increase in the rate of murder and no apparent difficulty in dealing with long-sentence murderers in prison.

Yet still in Britain — which like the two countries similarly minded in this matter, would hardly admit herself to be the least civilized of the nations of Western Europe — the advocates of the death penalty, albeit precariously, maintain their position. As long ago as the eighteenth century a Royal Commission advocated the reduction of capital punishment to the barest minimum, but nothing was done to carry out its recommendations. The next effort was not made until 1947 when a proposal to suspend the death penalty for an experimental period of five years was passed in the House of Commons by a majority of 23 votes. The Government had taken the view that this proposal was inopportune at a time when violent crime was reaching new post-war heights and police forces were understaffed, and the House of Lords supported them in this, rejecting the bill by an overwhelming majority.

The history of this bill illustrates the strength of the emotions aroused by the subject of capital punishment, and Lord Templewood's little book which presents the evidence against it calmly and dispassionately has appeared opportunely at a time when passions have cooled a little but the question is still a topical one.

Those who uphold hanging generally do so on three grounds: that of "be-done-by-as-you-did"; that capital punishment is a deterrent to would-be murderers; and that there are considerable drawbacks to life imprisonment both for the prisoner and for the prison authorities. The first of these principles is not as widely held as it used to be and in fact was infrequently heard during the parliamentary debates; we are all more conscious of our own frailties these days than our forebears were. The second still carries considerable weight, despite the impressive evidence of foreign countries quoted against it by the abolitionists. People are inclined to believe that if they felt a sudden impulse to commit a murder, the fear of hanging would hold them back. But whether this would really be so, at any rate in the case of unpremeditated murder, must probably always remain a debatable question. The last argument seems the most curious of the three, but some people do apparently maintain that it is less cruel to hang a man than to imprison him for life. On this point, one feels, no man condemned to death would agree. It is true that life imprisonment can be a soul-destroying thing, but Lord Templewood adduces considerable evidence from the abolitionist countries to show that it need not necessarily be so.

In refuting the most common arguments along the lines indicated above, the author makes two additional points against the death penalty — that it is an obscene and uncivilized act... accompanied by incidents that offend and degrade our public standards, and that it is irrevocable. One doubts whether despite the evident sincerity of belief which illuminates "The Shadow of the Gallows" throughout, Lord Templewood will make many converts; for in the last instance the average man's view on this question is based on emotion rather than on reason. But at least he has provided his fellow crusaders with all the ammunition necessary to continue their campaign, as they undoubtedly will.

OLIVIA MANNING

MEDIEVAL ART TREASURES

ENGLISH ROMANESQUE SCULPTURE. 1066-1169. By George Zarnecki. Trianon, London, pp. 82, Illustrated, 7/6.

THE GOTIC IVORIES OF THE 13TH AND 14TH CENTURIES. By Joseph Natanson. Trianon, London, pp. 64, Illustrated, 7/6.

These two volumes, No. 17 and 18 in the Series "Chapters in Art," are concerned with fields of medieval art with which the art-loving public is not very familiar. Numerous plates give an excellent idea of the development of the forms and themes concerned and descriptive notes explain each of the plates in detail. The introductions to both volumes are well-balanced summaries of the results of the authors' careful research.

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